



City Manager's Update

Committee of the Whole | Council

May 27, 2024

Highlights

- The City has entered into an agreement with the Township of Georgian Bluffs to provide building services, including plans review and inspections
- 24 permits were issued in April with a construction value of \$5.67 million. Highlights include 24 new residential units, a renovation permit for OSDSS, and a permit to Troy Life Fire & Safety to repurpose a building on East Bayshore Road
- 30 per cent of new permits are being paid online through Cloudpermit
- East Rink ice was removed on May 12th at the JMRRC. Minor Lacrosse will take the floor beginning Saturday, May 18.
- Miller Waste Systems presented a donation cheque to Mayor Boddy to help operate the Harrison Park Pool this summer. The \$3,500 donation will provide free family swimming on Thursdays (4:30 – 6:30 p.m.) and Sundays (11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.) from June 17 through September 1.
- The City is now offering online marriage licence applications
- 52 business licences being processed

Highlights

- Supported coordination and planning of the installation of a community garden at Ed Taylor Park.
- Tourism services have officially moved into the TOM, offering an expanded range of hours: Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Owen Sound and Harrison Park-themed merchandise is available at that location in addition to traditional wayfinding and activity brochures. Three Tourism Ambassador summer students are available to assist visitors at the new location and will be out and about in the community.
- Friday, June 14, the Tom Thomson Art Gallery is hosting a special celebration of Tom Thomson's homecoming to Owen Sound and the unveiling of the Art Gallery's first donation of a Tom Thomson painting in more than 20 years.
- On June 15, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Charles Hill, former Curator of Canadian Art at the National Gallery, will give a lunch and talk.

Corporate Services Committee

Second Thursday of each month - 5:30 p.m.

Lead Director: Kate Allan, ext. 1238

June 13

- 2024 T1 Financial Update
- Composition of Council and Establishment of Wards
- Fire Prevention Services - Shared Service Agreement with Georgian Bluffs

July 11

- Currently no reports

Operations Committee

Third Thursday of each month - 5:30 p.m.
Lead Director: Lara Widdifield, ext. 1201

June 20

- Drinking Water Quality Audit
- Capital Project Updates
 - Alpha Street Reconstruction
 - River Precinct Phase 2
- Street Occupation Permit By-Law Review

July 18

- Quarterly Transit Update
- Capital Project Updates
 - Alpha Street Reconstruction
 - River Precinct Phase 2

Community Services Committee

Third Wednesday of each month - 5:30 p.m.

Lead Director: Pam Coulter, ext. 1252

June 19

- Request to process Heritage Property Tax Relief program rebates for 2023 tax year
- Request to increase the Heritage Property Tax Relief program budget
- Request to designate 791 2nd Ave W and 795 2nd Ave W (Kennedy Terrace)

July 17

- Request to activate the Tax Increment Equivalent Grant Program

In case you missed it - Media Advisories Issued April 29 – May 24

www.Owensound.ca/news

1. City of Owen Sound and Owen Sound Attack Ownership Group Announce a New 10-Year Lease Agreement
2. Road Closures to Begin for the Downtown River Precinct Phase 2 - 900 Block of 1st Avenue East
3. Ball Hockey in the River District Closes Roads
4. City Approves Pilot to Share Building Services with Georgian Bluffs
5. River District Sidewalk Pressure Washing Taking Place Today & Tomorrow
6. Owen Sound City Council Endorses the Great Lakes & St. Lawrence Economic Transformation Initiative
7. City Begins Summer Hydrant Flushing Program
8. Emergency Preparedness Week 2024
9. Alpha Street Reconstruction Begins
10. Owen Sound Once Again Recognized as a Tree City of the World, One of Only 18 in Canada
11. Home and Cottage Expo Takes Place May 11 & 12 in Owen Sound
12. Fire Department Responds to Fire at Victoria Park Fairgrounds Grandstand
13. Another Household Hazardous Waste Event to Take Place this Saturday
14. Art Gallery Accepting Submissions for Juried Exhibition Celebrating the Neurodivergent Community
15. Don't Miss Out on the First Goods Exchange Day of 2024 – This Year, Also Share Your Extra Plants and Flowers!
16. Owen Sound Fire & Emergency Services to Begin Annual Home Inspection Program
17. City Works with Volunteers to Replace Ash Trees
18. City Continues Working to Attract Family Physicians
19. What's Open & Closed in Owen Sound for Victoria Day Weekend
20. Owen Sound Celebrates National Public Works Week!
21. Art Gallery Brings Tom Thomson Home to Owen Sound
22. Wheel & Ride Safety Festival Returns this Saturday in the River District!
23. Province Invests in Emergency Preparedness in Owen Sound

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